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## COMMUNICATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE FILING OF REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Sir:

This Communication is submitted to bring to the Office's attention several related copending patent applications, namely U.S. Serial No. 10/522,664, filed 27 January 2005 and U.S. Serial No. 11/173,889, filed 1 July 2005. Applicants also wish to bring to the Office's attention co-owned U.S. Patent No.: 6,716,581, which issued from U.S. Serial No. 09/824,629, filed 2 April, 2001.

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